Friday, March 1, 2019 112:00 p.m. 1210 Senate Building

### **Members Present:**

Rep. Robert M. Spendlove, Chair

Rep. Tim Quinn, Vice Chair

Rep. Kyle R. Andersen

Rep. Stewart E. Barlow

Rep. Joel K. Briscoe

Rep. Steve Eliason

Rep. Ken Ivory

Rep. Jefferson Moss

Rep. Stephanie Pitcher

Rep. Douglas V. Sagers

Rep. Rex P. Shipp

Rep. Andrew Stoddard

Rep. Mark A. Strong

Rep. Norman K. Thurston

### Staff Present:

Ms. Linda Service, Session Secretary Mr. Alex R. Janak, Policy Analyst

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

Chair Spendlove called the meeting to order at 12:08.

# 1. H.B. 441 Tax Equalization and Reduction Act (Quinn, T.)

Rep. Quinn introduced the bill with a slide presentation and distributed a handout "HB441 - Tax Equalization and Reduction Act Summary." He was assisted by the following presenters:

# Tax Equalization and Reduction

### Tax System Reboot

## **Education Funding Graphic**

Mr. John Valentine, Chairman, Utah State Tax Commission spoke.

Mr. Mike Holt, Utah State Tax Commission, reviewed a presentation on filing sales and use tax returns.

#### Sales and Use Tax Presentation

Ms. Kristin Cox, Executive Director, and Mr. Phil Dean, Budget Director and Chief Economist, Governor's Office of Management and Budget.

Ms. Abby Osborn, Vice President of Public Policy and Government Relations, Salt Lake Chamber.

Mr. Valentine and Ms. Rebecca Rockwell, Commissioner, Utah State Tax Commission, spoke to the bill.

#### Public comment followed:

Mr. Jim Farrin, investment broker, spoke against the bill.

Mr. Brian Hollien, Morris Murdock Travel, spoke against the bill.

Mr. Jon Bronson, Zions Bank, Public Finance Division, spoke for the bill.

Ms. Beth Holbrook, Utah Transit Authority, spoke to the bill.



Mr. Roger Tew, League of Cities and Towns, spoke to the bill.

Mr. Howard Stephenson, Utah Tax Payers Association, spoke to the bill.

Mr. Steve Evans, broadcast industry, spoke against the bill.

Mr. Craig Hansen, small business owner, spoke against the bill.

Mr. Steve Young, Holland and Hart, spoke to the bill.

Mr. Kelly Atkinson, Executive Director, Utah Health Insurance Association, spoke to the bill.

Mr. Tim Ermish, Fox 13, spoke against the bill.

Mr. Richard Jones, Vice President and General Manager, ABC 4 Utah, spoke against the bill.

Mr. Dirk Burton, electrical contractor, spoke to the bill.

Mr. Jay Blain, Utah Education Association, spoke against the bill.

Mr. Dickson Burton, President, Utah State Bar, spoke against the bill.

Mr. Adam Trupp, Association of Counties, spoke to the bill.

Mr. Kevin Greene, Americans for Prosperity - Utah, spoke to the bill.

Ms. Susan Spiers, Utah Association of Certified Public Accountants, spoke to the bill.

Mr. Mario Arras, private attorney, spoke against the bill.

Mr. John Ivins, Utah Land Title Association, spoke against the bill.

Ms. Rikki Hrenko-Browning, Utah Petroleum Association, spoke to the bill.

#### MOTION:

Rep. Barlow moved to replace H.B. 441 with 1st Substitute H.B. 441. The motion passed with a vote of 14 - 0 - 0.

Yeas-14 Nays-0 Absent-0

Rep. K. Andersen

Rep. S. Barlow

Rep. J. Briscoe

Rep. S. Eliason

Rep. K. Ivory

Rep. J. Moss

Rep. S. Pitcher

Rep. T. Quinn

Rep. D. Sagers

Rep. R. Shipp

Rep. R. Spendlove

Rep. A. Stoddard

Rep. M. Strong

Rep. N. Thurston

MOTION:

Rep. Thurston moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 441 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 2 - 0.



Yeas-12 Nays-2 Absent-0

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MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 14 - 0 - 0.

Absent-0 Yeas-14 Nays-0

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Chair Spendlove adjourned the meeting at 2:21 p.m.